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British Medical Association.

CURRENT NOTES.

British Medical Association Dinner.

As was reported to the Representative Body last July, the Council is trying the experiment, which it hopes may become an annual event, of holding a dinner in London in connexion with the first meeting of the Council next month. The primary idea of the dinner is to do honour to any officers of the Association who may be retiring—in this case the Past-President, Professor David Drummond. But in addition the opportunity is being taken to invite other distinguished persons. Invitations have been issued in the name of the Chairman and members of the Council of the Association to some forty guests, and it is hoped shortly to announce the names of those who may be expected to be present. The Council is very anxious to make the dinner worthy of the position of the Association, and it is hoped that many members will be present. The dinner will be held on October 25th at the Grand Hotel, Charing Cross, at 7 for 7.30 p.m., and tickets (price 10s. 6d., exclusive of wine) may be obtained on application to Mr. L. Ferris-Scott, Financial Secretary and Business Manager, 429, Strand, W.C.2.

The Panel Conference.

The annual conference of representatives of Local Medical and Panel Committees will open on Friday, October 20th, at 10 a.m., at the Central Hall, Westminster. A provisional agenda paper has now been published, and the final agenda will be issued on October 13th. Committees desiring to bring forward motions are asked to send them to the Medical Secretary as soon as possible; those received at 429, Strand, by first post on Monday, October 9th, will be included in the final agenda, but relevant motions or amendments received later will be dealt with at the conference. The following documents have been circulated with the provisional agenda: (1) the annual report of the Insurance Acts Committee for 1921-22 (printed in full in last week's SUPPLEMENT; (2) a report on the organization of insurance practitioners in the event of a refusal of the terms offered by the Government; (3) the report for 1921-22 of the trustees of the National Insurance Defence Trust; (4) the Model Public Medical Service scheme; and (5) the Collective Bargaining scheme. The attention of Panel Committees is especially drawn to the report on the Organization of Insurance Practitioners, which it is hoped will be discussed fully at the conference.

Post-Graduate Demonstrations at Hereford.

It is of much interest to note the further development of post-graduate instruction under the auspices of Branches and Divisions of the Association. The Hereford Division has arranged in connexion with the University of Bristol a series of post-graduate demonstrations at the Herefordshire General Hospital on Mondays, at 3 p.m., commencing Monday, October 9th. The fee for the course is two guineas. The subjects to be dealt with in the course are stated in the notice published at p. 127 this week.

Isle of Wight County M.O.H.

An advertisement has been received for a county medical officer of health for the Isle of Wight, offering a commencing salary of £1,000 per annum, rising, by increments of £50, to £1,200. In addition to this, £50 was offered by way of travelling expenses, and as this seemed inadequate, inquiries were made of the Town Clerk. He has replied that it was never contemplated that the M.O.H. would require a motor car, as most of the travelling can be done by omnibus and train, but he has given an assurance that if the sum offered is found insufficient in the light of twelve months' experience, the question of the travelling allowance will be reconsidered. Such being the case, the advertisement has been accepted, and appears in this week's issue of the JOURNAL.

Assistant Medical Officer for Wallasey.

A Current Note in our issue of September 16th referred to the situation at Wallasey, where the town council is advertising for an assistant medical officer of health to be in clinical charge of both the tuberculosis and venereal disease work. The British Medical Association's minimum salary for an officer of this kind is £700 a year. The town council, after offering an advertisement at £600 a year which was refused, offered another at £700 rising by £25 a year to £800, and this was inserted. The latter advertisement had been sent on the authority of the Wallasey Public Health Committee, whose action was repudiated by the town council at its meeting on September 7th, and the candidates who had applied for the post on the terms approved by the Association were supplied with a copy of the resolution of the council stating that it was prepared to offer the appointment at a salary of £650 rising by £50 increments to £800, and they were asked to allow their applications to stand at the altered terms.

As it was apparent that there was a good deal of misunderstanding on the part of the Wallasey Corporation and public regarding the position taken up by the Association, the Wallasey Public Health Committee, which met on September 21st, was asked to receive a deputation from the Association and consented to do so. The deputation was

introduced by Dr. W. C. Milroy (Chairman of the Birkenhead Division), who was accompanied by Drs. A. R. and C. Wilson and Dr. P. W. Leathart (the Secretary of the Division), together with the Medical Secretary. The deputation dealt mainly with two points: The first was that the action of the Association in fixing standards of remuneration for public appointments and trying to enforce these was not unreasonable, and that, in fact, this was the method adopted by practically all the organizations with which public bodies have to deal. The second point was that, although the Council would probably have applicants who would be willing to accept their new terms, they would be ill advised in choosing one of those candidates; because, on the one hand, the list would not be a representative one, as a good many of the best men had already withdrawn or were intending to do so; and on the other, any man appointed at the terms now offered by the Council could not receive that support and co-operation from the local practitioners which were essential if his work were to be successful. A discussion, which was on very friendly lines, then took place, and the Chairman of the Committee, Dr. J. McMillan, said that what the deputation had laid before the Committee would be reported to the Council at a future meeting and that the result must necessarily depend to a large extent on the way in which the candidates for the post backed up or failed to back up the position taken up by the Association. Dr. Milroy thanked the Committee for receiving the deputation, which then withdrew.

A very considerable proportion of the candidates who are known to have applied have already informed the Medical Secretary that they have withdrawn their applications and cordially support the action taken by the Association in trying to improve the conditions of employment of Public Health medical officers.

Another Aspect of the Economy Question.

As was shown in the Current Note last week headed "Fife School Medical Officers' Salaries," some public authorities are beginning to realize that there are limits to the extent to which they can safely carry "economy" in medical salaries. The *Poor Law Officers' Journal* states that the St. George's Relief Committee, in reporting to the Southwark Guardians a vacancy in the office of Medical Officer for No. 5 District, reminded the Board that in response to recent advertisements for a local medical practitioner to fill this vacancy only one application was received, and it had been ascertained that the local doctors regarded the remuneration of £160 per annum as inadequate, the district being one of the heaviest in the union. The work was now being carried out under a temporary arrangement at the rate of 5½ guineas a week, and as it was obvious that it would be impossible to obtain the services of any medical practitioner of high reputation at the rate of £160 per annum, the Committee recommended that, subject to the consent of the Minister of Health, a salary of £250 should be offered. The Committee's report was adopted.

Division and Branch Membership.

At its meeting on September 20th the Propaganda Subcommittee had before it a return of the membership of each Division and Branch in Great Britain and Ireland. The Subcommittee directed that its congratulations should be sent to the following bodies, which showed the highest membership percentages: The Nuneaton and Tamworth, Newcastle-on-Tyne and North Northumberland Divisions; and the North of England, Staffordshire, and East York and North Lincoln Branches.

Association Notices.

COUNCIL, 1922–23.

VACANCY.

Notice is hereby given of the following vacancy in the membership of the Council:

Indian Group, comprising the Assam, Baluchistan, Bombay Burma, Ceylon, Hyderabad and Central Provinces, Mesopotamia, Punjab, and South Indian and Madras Branches, owing to the resignation of Lieut.-Colonel R. H. Elliot, I.M.S.(ret.).

Under By-law 54 (2) the Council is empowered either to fill the vacancy itself or cause it to be filled by means of an election by the Body authorized to elect, and has decided to adopt the latter course in the present case.

Nominations must be signed by not less than 3 Members of any Branch in the Group, and must be in the following form, or in one to the like effect, and should be received by the Medical Secretary not later than Saturday, November 25th, 1922:

COUNCIL, 1922–23.

NOMINATION FORM FOR ELECTION OF A MEMBER BY THE GROUPED INDIAN BRANCHES.

By Not Less than 3 Members of the Grouped Indian Branches.

We, the undersigned, hereby nominate .....
of ..... (*Full name and address to be given*)
for election by the Assam, Baluchistan, Bombay, Burma, Ceylon, Hyderabad and Central Provinces. Mesopotamia, Punjab, and South Indian and Madras Branches as a Member of the Council of the Association for the Session 1922–23.

Signatures and Addresses of Nominators .....
Branch(es) .....
Date ..... 1922.

The election, if a contest occurs, will be by VOTING PAPERS, containing the names of all duly nominated Candidates, issued from the Head Office, 429, Strand, London, W.C.2, to each Member of each Branch in the Group.

ALFRED COX, *Medical Secretary.*

CHANGES OF BOUNDARY.

Mid-Essex and North-West Essex Divisions.

THE following change has been made by the Council, and takes effect as from the date of publication of this Notice:

That the area of the North-West Essex Division be added to that of the Mid-Essex Division, the new Division to be known as the "Mid-Essex Division."

BRANCH AND DIVISION MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

DORSET AND WEST HANTS BRANCH: BOURNEMOUTH DIVISION.—A meeting of the Bournemouth Division will be held at Bournemouth on Thursday, October 19th, when a British Medical Association lecture will be delivered by Dr. J. A. Ryle.

NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH: SUNDERLAND DIVISION.—A meeting of the Sunderland Division will be held at 48, John Street, on Tuesday, October 3rd, at 8.15 p.m. Business:—Report of Representative at Annual Representative Meeting. To consider the following midwifery tariff: (1) No fee less than two guineas to be charged in any midwifery case; (2) the midwifery fee includes subsequent attendance for not more than fourteen days; (3) where a house in the midwifery tariff list is tenemented a reduction may be made in the fees. Report of Scientific Subcommittee. Memorial to the late Dr. Middlemass. Correspondence. Any other business.

SHROPSHIRE AND MID-WALES BRANCH.—The forty-seventh autumn meeting of the Shropshire and Mid-Wales Brauch will be held at the Royal Salop Infirmary on Tuesday, October 10th, at 3 30 p.m., when the President, Dr. Glynn Pigott, will take the chair. Agenda: Election of new memb rs. Correspondence on appointment of medical officer to borough police. Address by the President, entitled "Various abnormalities met with in a series of eleven hundred cases of midwifery, with special reference to placenta praevia and its treatment." A council meeting will be held at 3 p.m. By kind invitation of the President, tea will be provided. The annual dinner will be held at the Masonic Hall, College Hill, at 6 p.m. Morning dress will be worn. Tickets, 10s. 6d.

SOUTHERN BRANCH.—The following meetings of the Southern Branch will be held at the South-Western Hotel, Southampton, at 2.30 p.m., when addresses will be given:—*Thursday, December 14th, 1922:* "The prevention and conservative treatment of senile gangrene," Mr. W. Sampson Handley, M.S., F.R.C.S., surgeon to Middlesex Hospital. *Thursday, March 22nd, 1923:* "The diagnosis and treatment of cholecystitis and gall stones," Dr. Arthur F. Hurst, physician to Guy's Hospital. Members are earnestly requested to make a special effort to attend the meetings.

SUFFOLK BRANCH.—A meeting of the Suffolk Branch will be held at Ipswich on Friday, October 27th, when an address will be delivered by Dr. G. C. Anderson, Deputy Medical Secretary, on "The B.M.A.—its failings, its achievements, and its possibilities." Sir Henry Gauvain will also read a paper.

SUFFOLK BRANCH: SOUTH SUFFOLK DIVISION.—A meeting of the South Suffolk Division will be held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Ipswich, on Friday, October 6th, at 3.30 p.m. Agenda: Business arising out of minutes. Consideration of Report of Annual Meeting at Glasgow (see SUPPLEMENT, July 29th, 1922). Report of Representative, Dr. H. V. Mitchell. Short address by Dr. H. M. Cade, County Bacteriologist, on the bacteriology of cerebro-spinal fluid, with particular reference to the diagnosis of meningitis, to be followed by a demonstration in the County Laboratory of microscopical specimens and cultures. Tea will be provided.

SUSSEX BRANCH: BRIGHTON DIVISION.—A meeting of the Brighton Division will be held at the Queen's Road Dispensary on Monday, October 2nd, at 8.30 p.m. Agenda: Correspondence; report of Secretary on Conference of Secretaries at Glasgow; report of Representative on Annual Representative Meeting; report of Executive Committee. The Executive Committee recommend the Division to pass the following resolution:

That the Council be requested to consider the advisability of making all elections to Council and Central Committees triennial instead of annual as at present.

Arrangements for coming session. Election of Deputy Representative in place of Dr. L. A. Parry, resigned. Dr. A. M. Daldy will read a short paper on "Sudden blindness in one eye." The Brighton Division has arranged a series of clinical meetings at the various hospitals in the town, particulars of which are given below. The meetings are on Thursday afternoons and commence at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at 3.45 p.m. Members are very cordially invited to attend without charge these demonstrations, which have proved such a success in past years. For non-members of the Association there will be a charge of 1 guinea for the series. *List of Clinical Meetings.*—October 19th, 1922, Royal Sussex County Hospital; November 16th, Children's Hospital; December 14th, Royal Sussex County Hospital. January 18th, 1923, Lady Chichester Hospital; February 15th, Royal Sussex County Hospital; March 15th, Eye Hospital; April 19th, Royal Sussex County Hospital; May 17th, Children's Hospital; June 21st, Royal Sussex County Hospital.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—A meeting of the Yorkshire Branch will be held at the Grand Hotel, Scarborough, at 2 45 p.m., Saturday, September 30th, when there will be a demonstration of specimens and papers.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH: HARROGATE DIVISION.—A meeting of the Harrogate Division will be held at Y.M.C.A., Harrogate, on Saturday, October 7th, at 5 p.m., when Dr. Gordon Holmes will deliver a British Medical Association lecture on "Some of the clinical manifestations of tabes," which will be illustrated by lantern slides.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND HEREFORDSHIRE BRANCH: HEREFORD DIVISION.

Post-Graduate Demonstrations.

Post-graduate demonstrations have been arranged by the Hereford Division, in connexion with the University of Bristol, at the Herefordshire General Hospital, at 3 p.m. on successive Mondays, beginning October 9th. Members of the British Medical Association in adjoining counties who desire to attend should communicate with the Honorary Secretary of the Hereford Division, Dr. Herbert Jones, Tower Road, Hereford. The fee for the course is two guineas. The subjects are:

Modern Treatment of Diabetes, by Dr. J. A. Nixon, C.M.G.

Diagnosis and Treatment of Common Gastric Disorders, by Mr. A. Rendle Short, F.R.C.S.

Diagnostic Value of Cerebro-spinal Fluid Examinations, by Dr. G. Hadfield.

Diagnosis and Treatment of Toxaemia of Pregnancy, by Dr. Walter Swayne.

Diagnosis and Treatment of Gall-bladder Diseases, by Mr. T. Carwardine.

Normal and Acquired Resistance to Disease, by Professor Walker Hall.

Correspondence.

Report of Insurance Acts Committee.

SIR,—I note with much satisfaction that the Insurance Acts Committee in their "Recommendation F" (SUPPLEMENT, September 23rd, p. 117) have definitely adopted the proposal of the West Sussex Panel Committee of a conference between lay and medical workers under the Insurance Act. The necessity for this proceeding, which I recommended in the JOURNAL nearly three years ago, is surely obvious. The interests of all workers under the Act are in the main identical—namely, to promote the best possible service for the insured, with greatest possible satisfaction to all workers, at the least possible cost to the taxpayers, who are incidentally our private patients, and ourselves.

Now, I have before me a monthly circular letter from the Medical Secretary, dated March, 1922, wherein, under "Suggestions for Divisional meetings," joint meetings are recommended with "dentists, pharmacists, veterinary surgeons, and public authorities concerned in health matters." Surely if such meetings are desirable, a conference between parties who have actually been engaged in the same work together for ten years is long overdue. By such conference many mutual misunderstandings may be removed and mutual difficulties explained. It is the only way by which that atmosphere of good will may be induced which is so essential, and which was conspicuously and disastrously lacking in 1912. We should have no difficulty in convincing our opponents that a cheap and bad service is no more to their interests than our own, and they will explain to us their difficulties, which are very real, as any one who studies both sides of the question knows. There are society officials who delight in baiting doctors, and there are doctors who deliberately create difficulties for these officials. An agreement between us is the only barrier possible against the absolutely despotic power now vested in the Minister of Health, who is able to issue regulations having the force of Acts of Parliament, and, as a single individual, may, if prejudiced, be far more dangerous than the old Commissioners.

There is but one criticism to be made on "Recommendation F." No mention is made of representatives of "Clerks of Insurance Committees." These were definitely and advisedly included by me in the West Sussex motion. At an Insurance Committee meeting the clerk is almost always the best-informed man present; he is, in fact, the only man who absolutely specializes in that particular work alone. Privately both doctors and representatives of approved societies seek his advice, and he has intimate knowledge of the difficulties—and, I must add, delinquencies—of both, and of defects in administrative details which might be remedied with advantage and economy. The clerks have their own association, conferences, and journal, *The Naoctic*, and I have reason to believe that the continual neglect hitherto to consult these experts on matters intimately concerning them is resented by the clerks. A conference without some representatives of their association would be most incomplete, and in view of their intimate acquaintance with just those matters with which doctors are unfamiliar they would be particularly helpful to us.—I am, etc.,

Chichester, Sept. 24th. G. C. GARRATT.

Organization of the Profession.

SIR,—There are ominous signs that the friendly societies intend to fight for increased control over panel practitioners, and there is also reason to think that the Ministry of Health will to a certain extent (because of such societies' political power) be amenable to the pressure which will be used.

Fortunately, the more senior panel practitioners know well enough, from past experience, what increased control will mean, and I think they may be trusted to resist even to resignation; but what about the younger men, and especially all the men who will be qualified within the next two or three years? I do not know if anything is being done to "educate" these men, but if not, can the Insurance Acts Committee start at once an intensive crusade, and by means of lectures or addresses to students point out the disastrous effects of such control? One can easily imagine how a recently qualified man, without much capital, could be inveigled into accepting an appointment under a large friendly society unless he was shown the other side of the picture. Prevention is better than cure and time is of importance.—I am, etc.,

Plymstock, Sept. 22nd. S. NOY SCOTT.

Naval and Military Appointments.

ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE following notifications are announced by the Admiralty: Surgeon Commanders W. W. D. Chilcott and R. F. P. Cory to the *Royal Sovereign* on recommissioning, C. T. Baxter to the *Courageous*. Surgeon Lieutenant Commander C. C. Greeson to the *Dolphin*, temporary.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Colonel Denis J. Collins, C.M.G., late R.A.M.C., to be Major-General, vice Major-General Sir George B. Stanistreet, K.B.E., C.B., C.M.G.

Lieut.-Colonel (temporary Colonel) E. T. Inkson, V.C., D.S.O., from R.A.M.C. to be Colonel, vice Colonel D. J. Collins, C.M.G.

Major T. J. Potter, O.B.E., is placed on the half-pay list on account of ill health contracted on active service.

Captain R. R. Thompson, M.C., to be acting Major, December 13th, 1919, to May 3rd, 1921.

Captain J. H. Boag, M.C., retires receiving a gratuity.

Temporary Captain F. W. Harlow relinquishes his commission and retains the rank of Captain.

ROYAL AIR FORCE MEDICAL SERVICE.

Flight Lieutenant J. Paxton relinquishes his temporary commission on ceasing to be employed.

TERRITORIAL ARMY.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

The following officers having attained the age limit are retired, and retain their rank except where otherwise stated: Lieut.-Colonels J. Howard-Jones and E. C. Stack, T.D., with permission to wear the prescribed uniform. Major (Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel) H. A. Leebody, T.D., August 12th, 1922, and is granted the rank of Colonel, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform (substituted for notice in the *London Gazette*, August 11th, 1922); Captain C. G. Murray, and is granted the rank of Major; Captains H. Mills and H. Sankey.

Major D. H. Weir, M.C., T.D., relinquishes his commission, and is granted the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, with permission to wear the prescribed uniform.

Major H. H. B. Cunningham, T.D., resigns his commission and reverts to the Regular Army Reserve of Officers (Royal Irish Fusiliers), and is granted the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

G. F. Wilson to be Captain, with pay and allowances of Lieutenant.

VACANCIES.

BIRMINGHAM: MOSELEY HALL CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN.—Honorary Acting Surgeon.

CLARE HALL SANATORIUM AND HOSPITAL, South Mimms.—Assistant Medical Officer (male). Salary, £350.

EVELINA HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Southwark, S.E.—Physician to Out-patients (honorary).

GATESHEAD MENTAL HOSPITAL, Stannington.—Assistant Medical Officer (male). Salary, £400 per annum, rising to £500.

GRIMSBY COUNTY BOROUGH.—Assistant to the Medical Officer of Health. Salary, £500 per annum.

HONG-KONG UNIVERSITY.—Professor of Medicine. Salary, £800 per annum, rising to £1,000.

HOSPITAL OF ST. JOHN AND ST. ELIZABETH, 40, Grove End Road, N.W.8.—Bacteriologist and Pathologist. Honorarium, 50 guineas per annum.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street, W.C.—(1) House-Surgeon; (2) House-Physician and Assistant Casualty Officer. Salary, £50 for six months and £2 10s. laundry allowance each.

HUDDERSFIELD ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £200 per annum.

HULL ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Honorary Radiographer.

IPSWICH: EAST SUFFOLK AND IPSWICH HOSPITAL.—(1) General Surgeon: (2) House-Surgeon, salary, £150 per annum.

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY COUNCIL.—County Medical Officer. Salary, £1,000 per annum, increasing to £1,200.

ITALIAN HOSPITAL, Queen Square, W.C.—Honorary Surgeon for the Throat, Nose, and Ear Department.

LANARK COUNTY EDUCATION AUTHORITY.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £500 per annum.

LONDON HOMOEOPATHIC HOSPITAL, Great Ormond Street, W.C.—Third Anaesthetist. Honorarium £50 per annum.

MANCHESTER CITY.—Second and Third Assistant Medical Officers at the Monsall Fever Hospital. Salary, £300 and £250 per annum respectively and bonus.

METROPOLITAN ASYLUMS BOARD.—Medical Superintendent at the Leavesden Mental Hospital, King's Langley. Salary, £800 per annum, rising to £350, with unfurnished house and bonus.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.—Dental Officer. Salary, £400 per annum, rising to £500, together with war bonus.

PADDINGTON GREEN CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.—(1) Physician to Skin Department; (2) House-Physician; (3) House-Surgeon. Salary at the rate of £150 per annum each for (2) and (3).

PRINCE OF WALES GENERAL HOSPITAL, Tottenham, N.—Honorary Anaesthetist. Honorarium £20 per annum.

QUEEN'S HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Hackney Road, E.—(1) House-Surgeon; (2) Casualty House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum each.

ROCHESTER: ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL.—Resident House-Surgeon. Salary at the rate of £250 per annum.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.1.—(1) Assistant Surgeon to the Ear, Nose and Throat Department. (2) Assistant Anaesthetist in the Obstetric and Gynaecological Unit; honorarium, £100 per annum. (3) Casualty Officer; salary, £100 per annum.

ROYAL NATIONAL ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL, Great Portland Street, W.—Two Honorary Radiologists.

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY BOROUGH.—School Dentist. Salary, £500 per annum, rising to £600.

SOUTH LONDON HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Clapham Common, S.W.—Temporary Assistant Physician (female).

STIRLING EDUCATION AUTHORITY.—Assistant School Medical Officer. Salary, £500 per annum.

SUNDERLAND ROYAL INFIRMARY.—(1) House-Physician; (2) House-Surgeon (males). Salary, £200 per annum each.

SWANSEA COUNTY BOROUGH.—Lady Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £500 per annum, rising to £600.

WAKEFIELD: COUNTY COUNCIL OF WEST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE.—Chief Tuberculosis Officer. Salary, £750 per annum, rising to £800.

WHITECHAPEL PARISH.—Assistant Resident Medical Officer (male) at the Vallance Road Infirmary. Salary, £400 per annum.

CERTIFYING FACTORY SURGEONS.—The following vacant appointments are announced: Dawley (Salop); Nottingham, West (Nottingham); Burnley, North (Lancaster); Stroud (Gloucester).

This list of vacancies is compiled from our advertisement columns, where full particulars will be found. To ensure notice in this column advertisements must be received not later than the first post on Tuesday morning.

APPOINTMENTS.

PINTO-LEITE, Hubert, B.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Honorary Anaesthetist, Royal Dental Hospital, Leicester Square, London, W.C.

SEWELL, William A., B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., has been appointed Visiting Surgeon to the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow, in lieu of Mr. Farquhar Macrae, transferred to the Western Infirmary.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES.

NORTH-EAST LONDON CLINICAL SOCIETY, Prince of Wales's General Hospital, Tottenham.—Thurs., 4.15 p.m., Sir Archibald Reid: X ray Examination of the Pyloric End of the Stomach and its Vicinity.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE.—*Section of Orthopaedics:* Tues., 5 p.m., Cases; 5.30 p.m., Presidential Address, Mr. T. H. Openshaw: Traumatic Spondylitis. *Section of Obstetrics and Gynaecology:* Thurs., 8 p.m., Dr. Arthur E. Giles: Indications and Results of Myomectomy in the Treatment of Uterine Fibroids; Mr. Victor Bonney: On the Scope of Myomectomy and the Technique of the Operation. Dr. Giles will also show a specimen of large fibroid developing in the cervical stump after subtotal hysterectomy.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL, 49, Leicester Square, W.C.—Thurs., 5 p.m., Chesterfield Lecture by Dr. W. Griffith: The Elementary Lesions of Skin Diseases.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES.

LONDON LOCK HOSPITAL (91, Dean Street, W.1).—Mon., 5 p.m., Mr. Charles Gibbs: Anterior and Posterior Urethritis. Wed., 5 p.m., Mr. F. Juler: The Commoner External Venereal Diseases of the Eye. (283, Harrow Road, W.9.)—Wed., 3 p.m., Mr. Ernest Lane: Ante- and Post-natal Syphilis.

MANCHESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Tues., 4.15 p.m., Dr. A. Ramsbottom: Pulmonary Tuberculosis. Fri., 4.15 p.m., Dr. E. S. Reynolds: Brain Tumour.

OXFORD: RADCLIFFE INFIRMARY.—Mon., 10.30 a.m., Pathological Specimens; noon, Medical Cases; 2.30 p.m., Dr. Waters: Rheumatism; 4.30 p.m., Dr. Collier: Arterio-sclerosis. Tues., 10.30 a.m., Surgical Cases; noon, Pathological Department; 2.30 p.m., Mr. Dodds Parker: Gall Stones; 4.30 p.m., Dr. Gibson: Chronic Bronchitis. Wed., 10.30 a.m., Electro-therapeutic Department; noon, Maternity Home; 2.30 p.m., Dr. Mallam: Skin Diseases; 4.30 p.m., Mr. Whitelocke: Drainage in Surgery. Thurs., 10.30 a.m., X-ray Department; noon, Ear, Nose, and Throat Department; 2.30 p.m., Dr. Turrell: Sciatica; 4.30 p.m., Mr. Bevers: Surgery of the Rectum. Fri., 10.30 a.m., Medical Cases; noon, Surgical Cases; 2.30 p.m., Mr. Girdlestone: Pott's Disease; 4.30 p.m., Dr. Good: Mental Disorders. Sat., 10.30 a.m., Headington Orthopaedic Hospital; 2.30 p.m., Professor Gunn: The Autonomic Nervous System in relation to Medicine; 4.30 p.m., Sir A. Garrod: Endocrine Glands in Medical Practice.

ST. MARYLEBONE GENERAL DISPENSARY, Welbeck Street, W.—Infant and Child Welfare. Thurs., 6 p.m., Dr. Eric Pritchard: Infant Mortality.

British Medical Association.

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3 Tues. London: Organization Committee, 12 noon.
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4 Wed. London: Medico-Political and Parliamentary Committee, 2.30 p.m.

5 Thurs. London: Journal Committee, 2.30 p.m.
London: Insurance Acts Committee, 2.30 p.m.

6 Fri. London: Dominions Committee, 2.30 p.m.
South Suffolk Division, Council Chamber, County Hall, Ipswich, 3.30 p.m.

7 Sat. Harrogate Division: B.M.A. lecture by Dr. Gordon Holmes: Some of the Clinical Manifestations of Tabes (illustrated by lantern slides), at Y.M.C.A., 5 p.m.

9 Mon. Hereford Division. Post-graduate Demonstration, Herefordshire General Hospital, 3 p.m.

10 Tues. Shropshire and Mid-Wales Branch, Autumn Meeting, Royal Salop Infirmary, 3.30 p.m.; Council Meeting, 3 p.m.; Annual Dinner, Masonic Hall, College Hill, 6 p.m.

11 Wed. London: Finance Committee, 2.30 p.m.

19 Thurs. Bournemouth Division. B.M.A. lecture by Dr. J. A. Ryle.

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25 Wed. London: **Council**, 10 a.m. Council Dinner, 7 for 7.30 p.m.

27 Fri. Suffolk Branch, Ipswich. Address by Dr. G. C. Anderson, Deputy Medical Secretary, on "The B.M.A.—its failings, its achievements, and its possibilities." Paper by Sir Henry Gauvain.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

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BIRTH.

ELLIS.—August 1st, at 68, Hagley Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, the wife of F. W. Ellis, M.D., F.R.C.S., of a daughter, "Margaret Wendy."

MARRIAGES.

COLE—ALCOCK.—On September 20th, J. McMurray Cole, F.R.C.S.E., of Onehunga, N.Z., to Doris Elizabeth Alcock, M.B., B.S., second daughter of J. Simpson Alcock, J.P., of Gaywood, Mansfield, Notts.

YORKE—WILSON.—On the 18th of September, Francis C. Yorke, M.B., B.Ch., of Edgeworthstown, second son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Yorke of Granard, co. Longford, to Sister Bertha Wilson of St. Dunstan's, London, fourth daughter of the late Dr. Thomas Wilson and Mrs. Wilson of Edgeworthstown.

DEATH.

HODGE.—On September 21st (suddenly), at Dr. Hickey's, Gainford, Peter Hodge, M.B., C.M., of 87, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne, late of Chadwick House, West Hartlepool.

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